## **HOUSE BILL 3769**

## By Maddox

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 15, Part 2, relative to the select committee on children and youth.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-15-201, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

Section 3-15-201.

(a) There is hereby created the select committee on children and youth. The select committee shall consist of eighteen (18) members. Nine (9) senators shall be appointed by the speaker of the senate, at least one (1) of whom shall be appointed from the membership of each of the following standing committees of the senate: education; health and human resources; and judiciary. Nine (9) representatives shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, at least two (2) of whom shall be appointed from the membership of each of the following standing committees of the house of representatives: education; health and human resources; and judiciary. During the organizational session of each general assembly, the respective speakers shall reappoint or appoint members to serve on the select committee on children and youth. Any vacancies occurring on the select committee, between organizational sessions, shall be filled by the respective speakers in accordance with the guidelines established in this subsection (a).

(b)

(1) The select committee shall meet at least quarterly and at the call of the chair. Members of the select committee shall be entitled to reimbursement for their expenses in attending meetings of the committee or any subcommittee thereof at the same rates and in the same manner as when attending the general assembly.

(2) The committee shall elect from its membership a chair, a vice chair, and such other officers as it deems necessary.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.

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